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# Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Ryan F. Pitaro

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## Period for Reply

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

## Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

## Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 3/1/2004.
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

**DETAILED ACTION**

1. Claims 1-8 have been examined.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1,4,5,8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Deutscher et al ("Deutscher", US 2003/0174160).

As per claim 1, Deutscher teaches a method by which a multimedia presentation editor hosted by a communication or computing terminal having a display device, interfaces with a user so as to allow the user to create or edit a presentation) including a slide in turn including a plurality of objects for display in playing the presentation, characterized by: a step in which the objects in each set of objects of the slide to be displayed successively one after the other when the presentation is played are instead assembled by the editor one under another in respective columns, and each single object of the slide to be displayed continuously on the slide when the presentation is played are also assembled by the editor in respective one-object columns, thereby

providing a plurality of columns, wherein at least one of the columns has a plurality of objects (Figure 8, [0062]-[0065]); and a step in which the editor displays at the same time each column side-by-side with each other column on the display device ([0067]); the objects of the slide thus forming on the display device when displayed by the editor one or more side-by-side vertical columns some of which may include only a single object and some of which include more than one object, thereby providing that some parts of the slide may remain fixed while the slide is displayed in play mode and some parts will change ([0009]-[0010]).

Claims 4,5,8 are individually similar in scope to that of claim 1 and are therefore rejected under similar rationale.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 2,3,6, and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deutscher et al ("Deutscher", US 2003/0174160) in view of Reams ("Reams", US 006/0168619).

As per claim 2, Deutscher fails to distinctly point out the presentation being an MMS message. However, Reams teaches the multimedia presentation is for communication as an MMS message ([0022]-[0023]. Therefore it would have been

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obvious to an artisan at the time of the invention to combine the teaching of Reams with the method of Deutscher. Motivation to do so would have been to provide a way to present the slide show to a vast array of users including those with small devices such as cell phones.

As per claim 3, Deutscher-Reams teaches a method wherein SMIL is used with the editor to prescribe how the multimedia presentation is to be played (Reams, [0022]).

Claim 6 is similar in scope to that of claim 2 and is therefore rejected under similar rationale.

Claim 7 is similar in scope to that of claim 3 and is therefore rejected under similar rationale.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ryan F. Pitaro whose telephone number is 571-272-4071. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00am - 4:30pm Mondays through Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine Kincaid can be reached on 571-272-4063. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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